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COPPER PRICES

Average price of copper for April 124.25
Average price of copper week ending May 4 123.75
Average price of copper closing May 4 123.75

Price Five Cents

GUERRILLA WARFARE WAGED IN W. VIRGINIA

SENATE ACTION ON NAVAL BILL IS DELAYED BY BORAH FORCES

Advocates Of Disarmament In Determined Effort To Hold Up Ship Construction

AMENDMENTS PASSED

King Joins With Borah In Attempt To Bring Agreement On Reducing Armament

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The half billion dollar naval appropriation bill was taken up today in the senate only to encounter immediate opposition from disarmament advocates.

Shortly after reading of the naval affairs committee's amendments had started the first rumblings of the imminent fight were heard. The first amendments slightly increasing appropriations of the house bill were accepted without discussion, but when the amendment was reached to increase the sum available for recruiting by a million dollars, Senator Borah, Republican of Idaho, asked that it be passed over until the senate takes up the question of naval personnel.

This request was repeated time after time with the result that when the day ended, practically all of the major committee increases in the first half of the bill had been passed over. These included the appropriations for the Key West, Fla., submarine base, San Diego, Calif., naval hospital project, Guam submarine and destroyer bases, and Sand Point, Wash., air station, San Pedro, Calif., submarine base, and the Alameda, Calif., supply base.

Senator King, Democrat of Utah, in an attack on the bill contending that continuation of the 1916 building program was a waste of money.

"The navy department," he declared, "has gone back into the tomb and dug up the naval program of 1916. We haven't apparently learned anything from the war."

The senator described the bill as "a war-like message from the United States to the nations of the world."

He read a press dispatch saying Great Britain, because of the American naval bill, had decided to contract immediately for the building of four 55,000 ton vessels of the super-Hood type. Many ships now in service should be scrapped, he asserted, adding that the Pacific fleet was made up of obsolete "hulks."

TWO COMMUNISTS KILLED
ROME, May 12.—Two Communists were killed and three wounded at Ascoli Piceno Tuesday when Extreme Nationalists and Communists engaged in a revolver battle.

FIGHT FOLLOWS AMBUSH
DUBLIN, May 12.—Three Republicans were shot dead today and several wounded in a fight which followed a police ambush near Listowel.

POPPING OUT



The Weary Willie season is open. So is the Want Ad season. Whether you want to rent, sell, lease or exchange, Review Want Ads will help you. And they bring results.

Allies Accused Of Aiding Revolt In Upper Silesia

BERLIN, May 12.—By the Associated Press—Action of the inter-allied commission in establishing a line of demarcation in the Upper Silesian plebiscite area is pronounced a breach of the treaty of Versailles in articles in Berlin newspapers today dealing with conditions in the area overrun by the Polish insurgents.

The commission's procedure, says Vorwaerts, is a palpable contradiction of the entente's publicly announced official policy.

The Vossische Zeitung charges the entente representatives in Upper Silesia with aiding and abetting the insurrection through its present action, and Germany takes a similar view.

JOHNSON INSISTS BLAIR VIOLATED ELECTION LAWS

Senate Committee Completes Investigation Of Record Of Revenue Chief

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Testimony and arguments in the case of David H. Blair, of Winston-Salem, N. C., nominee for internal revenue commissioner, were concluded today by the senate finance committee. A decision is expected to be announced Saturday or Monday.

With the nomination of Blair held up by the fight of Senator Johnson, Republican of California, against his confirmation, the office of internal revenue commissioner today became technically vacant, the 30-day term of M. F. West, assistant commissioner, expiring by legal limitation. Secretary Mellon, of the treasury department, took over the commissioner's functions temporarily.

Further testimony on Senator Johnson's charges that Blair as a delegate to the Republican national convention violated the North Carolina primary law in failing to vote for Senator Johnson and also that because of income tax case involving his father-in-law and wife, Blair should be disqualified, was taken today by the committee.

Marion Butler, former senator from North Carolina, and Robert McNeill, a lawyer, testified regarding the Republican primary last June. Both were said to have informed the committee that the primary was not regarded as binding on the delegates but was an expression of preference only. This view was said to have been opposed sharply by Senator Johnson.

Uncle Sam Asked To Take Over Operation Of Ships If Workers Refuse To Return To Posts Soon

NEW YORK, May 12.—Winthrop L. Marvin, secretary of the American Steamship Owners' Association, announced today that Pacific coast operators had telegraphed Secretary of Commerce Hoover and Admiral Benson, of the shipping board, urging them to request President Harding to declare that a national emergency existed in the nationwide shipping strike.

The telegram recommended that the government take over the manning of vessels if the strikers refused to return to work within 48 hours.

Marvin said his association had no information as to who signed the telegram and added no similar action was contemplated by the ship owners here.

H. H. Raymond, president of the American Steamship Owners' Association, charged as a malicious invention the statement of Andrew Furuseth, made yesterday in Washington, that the stand taken by the shipping board and the steamship owners in the wage dispute was part of an international plot to destroy American shipping.

"The accusations," he said, "mean in effect that the shipping board is betraying the country and that American shipping companies are proposing to destroy their own property."

WILSON VIEWS FOR ADJUSTING DISPUTES ONCE MORE SOUNDED

President Harding Hopes Day Will Come When Conferences Will Prevent War

TRIBUTE TO MASONRY

Executive Says Problems Of Reconstruction Are More Serious Than War

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The hope was expressed by President Harding, in an address tonight at a banquet of the National League of Moslem Clubs, that he would see the day when men on responsible positions, speaking for their people, "could gather around a conference table to adjust their disputes."

"If the peoples of the world can only understand each other," he said, "and if men in authority can only face each other in speaking for the several peoples there will never be another conflict to block the progress of civilization. Rather than to contemplate a conflict or to enter into one, I would rather sit at a table and settle it in advance."

Suggesting that the problems of reconstruction were more serious than those of war, he admonished his audience that "it's up to you to put our republic in the straightforward track of peace and constructiveness again."

"When we are right, we will be helping the whole world to get on the right track again," he said.

In a tribute to the principles for which Freemasonry stands, President Harding declared that "all America respects the great Masonic Order."

"I have yet to see, or hear, or know, anything in Masonry from first to last," said the president, "that has not made me a better man."

Daugherty Will Ask President Harding To Pardon E. V. Debs

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Attorney General Daugherty said today that he would write personally to recommendations to President Harding as to a pardon for Eugene V. Debs, Socialist leader, serving a 10-year sentence in the Atlanta penitentiary for violation of the espionage laws. He said it would be some time before the recommendations would be complete because of the facts to be taken into consideration.

FAMOUS POT OF GOLD IN DRAFT EVADER'S CASE IS DESCRIBED

Romig, Who Helped Bergdoll Says He Last Saw Money At Home Of Slacker

TESTIMONY LAUGHABLE

Witness Furnishes Amusement At Investigation Into Escape Of Rich Evader

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The trail for the buried gold of Grover Bergdoll, draft dodger, which a house investigating committee is trying to pick up, ended today in the kitchen of the Bergdoll home at Philadelphia where it was last seen by the man who had taken it there from the United States treasury.

James E. Romig, former police magistrate of Philadelphia, who came here with the slacker's mother in 1919 to get the gold and from whom the committee had hoped to learn something of its alleged burial place, declared he never set eyes on it after it had been dumped on the kitchen floor.

The serious sessions of the committee were upset frequently by Romig, who is 70 years old, and is awaiting sentence on conviction of aiding Bergdoll to escape. "Always in a laughing mood, Romig added a constant touch of levity."

John H. Sherburne counsel for the committee, had not brought the Romig story up to the point where Bergdoll slipped through a bath room and started for Germany, when the hearing was adjourned until tomorrow.

There was a roar of laughter when the witness was asked if Bergdoll had told him to go see Harry Thaw and get Thaw's advice as to the best alienists to engage in proceedings involving his sanity.

"Nothing to that," the old man answered. "I did look around and ask people and they told me Thaw's doctors were all right."

Telling of his troubles with treasury officials who tried, he said, "to stall him off," Romig said he first saw a part of the gold certificates, which were exchanged for gold, at Mrs. Bergdoll's home. The mother accompanied him to Washington.

"Where did she carry it?" he said, repeating a question. "Why, she had most of it in her stockings."

AVIATOR MAKES SERIOUS CHARGE

CHICAGO, May 12.—Charges of inefficiency, negligence and drunkenness were made today by witnesses at an investigation of recent deaths in the air mail service being conducted by Charles H. Clarahan, postal inspector.

The charges were made by C. C. Eversole, former mail pilot, who was discharged after he had made a parachute leap from his plane near Minneapolis last February in what he said was an effort to escape a crash.

Eversole declared that the real reason for his discharge was that he had told postal inspectors of the neglect and inefficiency at various fields.

The eight German junker planes that cost the government \$235,000 also cost the lives of seven pilots, Eversole testified. Five were hopelessly wrecked and the others withdrawn because pilots refused to fly in them, he said. Twenty-five De Havilland planes, known to the pilots as "ash cans" were withdrawn for the same reason, he declared.

According to the witness, attaches of the flying field would lay odds of from 4 to 1 to 10 to 1 that the De Havillands would never reach their destination. He also testified that several of the officials of the local field often appeared on the field while intoxicated.

Physician Who Supports Use Of Beer For Medicinal Purposes Is Bitterly Attacked By Volstead

Witness Before House Committee Is Made Object Of Sharp Personal Attack Because His Testimony Does Not Suit Dry Supporters; Leaks In Liquor Stocks Admitted

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Scenes of oritism and failure in the dry law the days when the dries were battling to bury John Barleycorn were reenacted today before the house judiciary committee, except that few friends of John's family appeared to protest against Chairman Volstead's plan to cut off, even for medicinal purposes, the heritage of beer.

Plenty of dries were on hand and Dr. J. P. Davin, of New York, who pleaded for the use of beer as medicine was given none too cordial treatment. In fact, he was roughly handled by Volstead, who challenged the physician's ability to "explain anything" and on another occasion declared the witness was using "a conglomeration of words that mean nothing."

Outstanding in the testimony was the statement by Oliver T. Remmers, counsel for the Anheuser Busch Company of St. Louis, that the firm's policy was "beer for all, or beer for none." He requested an investigation of "favoritism."

FARMER-LABOR PARTY ASSAILS ADMINISTRATION

G.O.P. Is Flayed For Attitude Toward Labor; Party Admits It, Alone, Is Right

CHICAGO, May 12.—The national executive committee of the Farmer-Labor party, after a three-day session made public a statement today declaring that there was no difference between the Republican and Democratic parties and that the only "peaceable remedy for the workers is to supplement the efforts of the trade unions, farmer organizations and cooperative societies by independent political action through the Farmer-Labor party."

"President Harding made his campaign on the issue of opposition to President Wilson's league of nations," the statement said. "He is now in the act of embroiling the United States again in the intrigues of the unprincipled plotters of Europe."

The statement also assailed the Esch-Cummings law and declared that "the Republican administration, however, finds this measure not sufficiently oppressive of labor and is about to amend it to abolish the rail road labor board."

"President Harding's administration," the statement continued, "is said also to be about to abolish the federal trade commission which exposed the lawlessness of the beef trust and stimulated the popular demand for federal control of the meat packing industry."

Mexican Is Shot By U. S. Border Sentry

JUAREZ, Mexico, May 12.—Guillermo Madrid, 45 years old, is in the municipal hospital here with a bullet wound which, surgeons believe, will necessitate the amputation of his right arm. Madrid tonight attempted to cross a railroad bridge to El Paso. Challenged by an American sentry, the man fled toward the Mexican side. A bullet from the soldier's rifle brought him down just as he leaped from the bridge.

14 Civilians Hurt By Sinn Fein Bomb

DUBLIN, May 12.—Fourteen civilians were injured, some seriously, by the explosion of a bomb thrown at a lorry loaded with auxiliaries tonight. The explosion created a panic and pedestrians fled from the street. It is said auxiliaries refrained from firing on the attackers.

5 TOWNS UNDER FIRE; ATTACKING FORCE NUMBERS MORE THAN 200

Every Available Officer Is Called Out As Bullets Rain From Mountains

ATTACK IS UNCHECKED

Federal Troops Held Ready To Take Charge Of Situation In Mingo County

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., May 12.—Guerilla warfare was being waged tonight in the mountains of the strike-torn Mingo county coal field.

Beginning soon after dawn today at Merrimac, four miles up the Tug river from this city, shots were poured from the mountainside into Merrimac, Rawl, Sprigg and Matewan, W. Va., and McCarr, Ky.

All available state police and deputy sheriffs centered in Williamson were rushed to the scene, but, according to reports, they had been unable to check the shooting.

Harry C. Staton, state prohibition officer and merchant at Sprigg, was killed, and Noah Phillips and a young man named Calvert W. Merrimac were seriously wounded during the shooting. Rumors of other killings and woundings have been received at headquarters of the state police here.

Tonight about 20 state policemen were reported to be working their way over the mountains between Merrimac and Rawl, seeking to flank their hidden foe.

Today's outbreak, the worst since the Matewan battle of last May 19, in which 10 persons were killed, had all the appearance of a prearranged attack, according to accounts of the fighting.

The towns under fire are within seven miles of each other and lie in a narrow valley on the banks of the Tug river, which separates West Virginia from Kentucky. The firing came from the mountains on both sides of the river, according to the state police.

Terror Reigns

They concentrated therefore, in the mountains on the West Virginia side while county officials here, in touch with officials of Pike county, Kentucky, in an attempt to obtain cooperation in routing the attackers.

Terror reigned in the towns in the zone of fire as night fell and it was learned that the authorities had failed to apprehend any of the attackers. Virtually all lights were extinguished tonight and residents kept close under cover.

The state police were virtually helpless during the day as the attack line forces in the mountains were screened by foliage and boulders while the police, in order to attempt a direct attack would have been obliged to cross the open valley and climb the rugged slopes in view of the hidden marksmen.

Sergeant David Peterson of the state police, who led a squad of men to Sprigg today, told of the plight in which several hundred passengers on a train found themselves when they reached the battle zone.

"Bullets were peppering down from the mountains," he said, "women and children screamed and cried in terror while virtually every passenger fell to the floors of the coaches for protection. I don't know whether

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U. S. Will Refrain From Discussing Upper Silesia

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The United States will refrain from any discussion of the Silesian question before the allied supreme council should that subject be considered, it was said today. Instructions to Ambassador Harvey it was explained, are to take an active part only in the considerations of questions involving American interests.

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